

## LATEST NEWS FROM ABROAD.

**A Duty on Sugar of a Cent a Pound is Proposed.**

**DR. TALMAGE TO VISIT THE ISLANDS.**

More News from Brazil—A Man Arrested in Chicago who Claims to be the Hawaiian Consul-General—The Federal Election Law Passed—Evans Still at Large.

The Senate Finance Committee is now struggling with the tariff bill as sent to it by the House. No report has yet been made to the Senate but every effort is being made to urge matters forward.

It is believed by those in a position to know that the committee will make a report in favor of a duty of one cent per pound on sugar as a revenue measure, but whether the Senate will concur is another question. If it does the question of the tariff will come up before the Conference Committee of the House and Senate and this will settle the fate of the duty once for all. A duty would certainly be a godsend to the Hawaiian planters.

In a suit brought by the government at Philadelphia to test the legality of the Sugar Trust's absorption of the big refineries there, Judge Butler decided in favor of the trust. As the case is a test one it is believed an appeal to the Supreme Court will be taken.

#### The Brazilian Imbrolio.

The latest news from Rio Janeiro is of a different character from the regular run. This time President Peixoto has discovered a plot to assassinate him and having secured the plotters, carefully had the leaders shot and the others imprisoned. This event has caused Peixoto to call for general elections in Brazil to decide whether or not the government is to be maintained. The loyal people have grave fears that the insurgent sympathizers will be too strong for the government party.

De Gama has made another mistake by firing on the German flag, on account of the protection of a German gunboat to one of the merchantmen of that country. The trouble ended without any complications.

President Peixoto has highly honored Minister Thompson and Admiral Benham, for their course in dealing with the insurgents.

The rebels have made two more desperate efforts to capture the strong fortress of Niteroy, but were repulsed with severe loss.

#### San Francisco News.

The old and reputable commission firm of Scotchler & Gibbs, has assigned for the benefit of its creditors, with liabilities exceeding \$200,000. This is one of the heaviest failures that has occurred here in many years. The firm was overloaded with canned goods and could not realize on them. It is believed, however, that they will soon resume business.

James Heron, secretary of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s express, is dead. He was one of the oldest pioneers of California, having been one of the party who raised the American flag at Monterey in 1846.

Notwithstanding over \$65,000 has been donated by the generous people of this city, there are still hundreds of men out of work who are suffering for the necessities of life. They are willing and anxious to work, but can get nothing to do, and the committee in charge say that \$40,000 more must be raised. About three thousand men have been given employment in Golden Gate Park at \$1.00 per day. The footpad epidemic seems to be dying out.

It has been discovered that the reason for the rush of the Chinese to be registered under the Geary law is that the certificates are worth about \$100 apiece, to be sold to Chinese who desire to evade the law and get into this country. No photographs are required and this makes the fraud easy.

The Press Club of this city has called upon M. H. DeYoung, publisher of the Chronicle, to show cause why he should not be expelled from that body. The trouble originated from an editorial reflection on the newspaper men of this city and with reference to the requirement of photos to be attached to the passes to the Midwinter Fair.

Col. John D. Stevenson, the veteran California pioneer, is supposed to be dying from grip. He is 94 years old and was one of the men who made the history of California.

A horrible murder was committed here on the 11th inst., the victim being C. Ruser, a kind-hearted old man of 71 years. The slayer was his son, Fred Ruser, 21 years old, who literally cut his father's face, neck and chest into pieces with a pocket knife. The crime grew out of some simple disagreement regarding property, which the father was anxious to settle to the satisfaction of his son. As usual, it is asserted that the murderer is insane.

#### American News.

Secretary Carlisle has sold the new bonds, notwithstanding the protest of the House. The issue was \$50,000,000 and was nearly all taken by New York bankers.

Wopkoneta, Ohio, was nearly destroyed by fire on the 11th, the loss being nearly \$500,000.

Evans, the famous California bandit, has had another battle with the officers, but seems to have a charmed life. He is still in the mountains near Fresno, and is managing to successfully elude his pursuers.

Madame Helena Modjeska, the great tragedienne, is to retire from the stage and return to Poland, her native country.

Consul Parker at Birmingham sends a report to the State Department on the American wheat and flour trade in the English midlands. He estimates the increase in the amount of flour received from the United States

at 79 per cent. in four years and declares the dependence of Great Britain on the United States for a considerable portion of her breadstuffs is completely established, and is far more likely to increase than decrease.

The Federal election law has been passed and signed by the President. This removes all Government control of elections and opens the door to all kinds of fraud.

Prof. E. E. Barnard, the eminent astronomer, has received the Orago medal from the French Government for the discovery of the fifth satellite to Jupiter. This is the highest honor an astronomer can receive, and has been conferred but once before. The medal is intrinsically worth 1000 francs.

The Senate Sub-Finance Committee is hard at work on the House tariff bill. It has decided not to give manufacturers and others a chance to discuss the various features of the measure before the committee, but to fix it up to suit themselves. The income tax clause will be maintained, and it is stated that a duty will be put on sugar to raise the revenue. The silver Republicans have not made known what position they will take on the tariff question, but it is thought they will make trouble unless the Democrats agree to do something for silver. It is a question, therefore, if the bill can pass the Senate.

Ered M. Somers, who founded the Argonaut of this city, and Current Literature in New York, died while on a business trip to England. He was one of the ablest literary editors of this country.

The Louisiana Lottery dies hard. It now has headquarters at Tampa, Florida, having been expelled from New Orleans. The company which has robbed the American people of about \$5,000,000 a year, now has its drawings in Honduras.

The Chicago Fair was not a good investment for the stockholders. Auditor Barrington of the Exposition Company, in his monthly statement of receipts and disbursements on Jan. 12th, shows that at the date mentioned \$2,740,420 had been expended on the late World's Fair. He figures the net assets at \$1,293,707. If there were no further expenditures to be incurred, this would represent the sum available to be returned as a dividend on the stock. The capital stock of the company, including the \$5,000,000 given by the city, amounts to \$10,000,495, so that if the whole surplus were distributed the stockholders and the city would receive 11 cents on the dollar. The net assets will, however, be further reduced, and there can be no hope of a return of more than 10 per cent.

The sinners in Hawaii may as well prepare to be converted. Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage is headed in that direction and expects to arrive there about April 1st.

It is stated that Ex-President Harrison will not be a candidate for reelection, and that the plans are now being laid to give the nomination to Gov. McKinley, the head of the protective policy in this country.

Anarchists are making the wealthy men of New York nervous by declaring with placards posted on their doors that death awaits them by means of the bomb.

George W. Childs, the great philanthropist and publisher, died at his home in Philadelphia on February 2d.

George William Childs, journalist, publisher and philanthropist, was born in Baltimore, Md., May 12, 1829.

#### Foreign News.

The reports about the Princess of Wales' insanity are denied and affirmed.

Reports that Gladstone is about to retire are repeatedly made and denied.

The reconciliation between Bismarck and the Emperor of Germany appears to be complete.

Vaillant, the anarchist who threw a bomb in the Chamber of Deputies of France, was guillotined on the 5th inst. at Paris. His last words were: "Death to society; long live anarchy!"

A dispatch from Rome to the London Standard says the Pope has decided that Mgr. Satolli will be among the new Cardinals.

#### THE KEARSARGE WRECKED.

She Goes On Roncador Reef and is Going to Pieces.

The historic war vessel Kearsarge, one of the oldest in the service, was wrecked on Roncador reef on February 2d. The news of the disaster was taken to Colon by Lieutenant Brainard.

The ship was on the way from Port-au-Prince, Hayti, to Bluefields, Nicaragua. She went on the reef with great force, although there was very little steam up. There was a terrific sea on and, as it was thought that she would capsize, her masts were cut away.

When the Kearsarge went over after striking the reef, she went so far that the banked fires in the furnaces were thrown out and scattered about. This set fire to the ship and there was great danger of the vessel being blown up. The flames were extinguished, however, before they reached the magazine. At daylight the boats were lowered and after a short but dangerous trip through the surf, the whole crew was landed without any loss of life. Lieutenant Brainard, with a boat's crew, sailed to New Providence and thence to Colon. He reported that the ship was fast going to pieces, and that the men were in need of immediate assistance.

Mrs. Emily Thorne, who resides at Toledo, Washington, says she has never been able to procure any medicine for rheumatism that relieves the pain so quickly and effectually as Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and that she has also used it for lame back with great success. For sale by all medicine dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., Agents for H. I.

## THE PARTY TO BE ORGANIZED.

Important Action Taken at Saturday Night's Meeting.

#### RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE CLUB.

A Committee of Thirteen, consisting of Prominent Members of the Club, Appointed to Investigate the Matter—Several Speeches Made on the Subject.

A meeting of the Annexation Club was held Saturday evening, at which the following report was made by F. B. McStocker:

Mr. CHAIRMAN:—Your committee, appointed to consider the matter of reorganization of the Annexation Club, respectfully beg leave to report that, while they realize the necessity of making new issues probable in the near future with a more comprehensive and united organization, action by the Annexation Club is inexpedient.

Yours respectfully,  
F. B. MCSTOCKER,  
Chairman Executive Committee.

After the meeting of the club had adjourned, those present were called to order, and George W. Smith was asked to take the chair, with J. W. Jones a secretary. J. H. Fisher presented the following resolution:

Whereas,—Circumstances do exist in this community that a committee of the Annexation Club, appointed for that purpose, deem it inadvisable that they adopt any plan of party organization; and

Whereas,—The tendency now appears to be manifest among annexationists to division into leagues and clubs mutually independent of each other; and

Whereas,—Such division is conducive to antagonism and conflict of interests, and would subordinate essential issues and injure our cause; and

Resolved,—That this body of loyal annexationists, as a nucleus, do now proceed to the formation of a political party broad enough to admit loyal citizens of all classes and nationalities.

This resolution was seconded by J. A. Kennedy, and F. B. McStocker moved its adoption, which was done. Mr. McStocker then moved that a preliminary committee of thirteen be appointed, two from each district and three at large, to take charge of the formation of this new party. This was also carried, and the chair appointed the following: 1st district, J. A. Magoon and J. H. Fisher; 2d district, J. Cassidy and C. L. Carter; 3d district, P. A. Dias and Julius Asch; 4th district, C. B. Cooper and J. W. Jones; 5th district, J. A. Low and J. Lecker; at large A. W. Keech, George W. Smith and C. T. Rodgers.

The following men spoke on this new movement: J. H. Fisher, Dr. Rodgers, F. B. McStocker, B. F. Dillingham, J. F. Brown, Dr. Wood, J. A. Kennedy, J. Emmeluth, J. A. Magoon, Dr. Emmerson, J. M. Camara Jr., L. C. Ables, George W. Smith and C. B. Ripley.

The committee of thirteen met yesterday morning at the club rooms to discuss ways and means of proceeding with the movement.

It is understood that important action was taken, but what it was could not be ascertained. They adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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